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- 1. Form PTOL-85 (1 page)
- 2. Comments on Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance ( 2 pages)

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In re Appln. of: William B. Boyle, et al. Art Unit:

Serial No.: 09/960,087 Examiner: Robert Chevalier

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For: COMMUNICATING BETWEEN A
DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDER (DVR) AND A
SET TOP BOX (STB) TO COORDINATE
THE DISPLAY OF A GRAPHICAL USER

**INTERFACE** 

# COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### Dear Sir:

The Examiner's Reasons for Allowance were authored unilaterally by the Examiner and may be over inclusive or under inclusive. As such, they should not be considered as an admission by the Applicants.

In particular, the Examiner stated that the claimed invention is directed to a digital video recorder, and further stated that the independent claims recite a DVR controller for communicating with a set top box. However, independent Claim 19, for example, is directed towards a set top box and recites a STB controller for communicating with a DVR. Moreover, Claims 36 and 37 are directed towards computer programs for use on

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a DVR and STB, respectively, and recite neither DVR nor STB controllers. Different or other reasons for allowance may be apparent from the record in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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